



**THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF AMHERST ASKS YOU TO SUPPORT
THE FOLLOWING WARRANT ARTICLES**

The League of Women Voters of Amherst, a nonpartisan organization that encourages informed and active participation in government, comments on individual Town Meeting warrant articles when these articles are relevant to published local, state, or national League positions. League positions are established after League members study issues and there is general agreement, or consensus, among members.

The League supports bicycle and pedestrian safety, accessibility, and public transportation. Thus, the League supports Articles 6, 7, and 8

ARTICLE 6: Acquire Right of Way – Meadow Street Reconstruction

The proposed Meadow Street reconstruction will include bicycle lane, sidewalk, and bus pull-out, to improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists along Meadow Street.

ARTICLE 7: Acquire Right of Way and Easements – Main Street Reconstruction

The proposed Main Street reconstruction will include bicycle lane, sidewalk, and bus pull-outs to improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists along Main Street

**ARTICLE 8: Accept Rights of Way and Easements – Wildwood Safe routes to
School Project**

The Wildwood safe routes to school project will include sidewalks along Strong St. and Chestnut St. and handicap ramps at the intersection of East Pleasant St. and Strong St., in order to improve pedestrian safety and accessibility for students walking to school.

The League supports provision of a variety of low and moderate income housing, consistent with community needs. Thus, the League supports Article 20-1 and Article 25.

ARTICLE 20: Community Preservation Act

1. Habitat for Humanity one unit to be built on Old Belchertown Road

ARTICLE 25: Authorize West Street Land Acquisition w/ Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

The land acquisition would be paid for with CDBG funds, for the purpose of building affordable housing

The League supports bicycle safety, public transportation, and a variety of facilities for recreational experiences. Thus, the League supports Article 20-14

ARTICLE 20: Community Preservation Act

14. Multi-use bike path connecting UMass with North Amherst: Feasibility Study

The League supports resource conservation and the use of renewable energy resources. Thus, the League supports Articles 24 and 27.

ARTICLE 24: Authorize Term of Lease for Old Landfill

The article authorizes the long-term lease on the town's old landfill for the purpose of installing a solar array for electric power generation.

ARTICLE 27: Bylaw – Adoption of Stretch Code

The "Stretch Energy Code" creates an enhanced energy efficiency building code for commercial and residential buildings

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